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DIRECTOR

April 14, 2008

TO: Rebecca A. Humphries, Director

INFORMATION: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: Wildlife Land Acquisition
Rogue River State Game Area – Kent County
The Ronald Fisk Tract
Land Transaction Case #20070196

Purchase Price: 41 acres – \$209,000.00

Description: Kent County, Tyrone Township, T10N, R12W, Section 12: SE ¼ of NW ¼
and the North 33 feet of the SW ¼ of NW ¼.

Seller: Ronald Fisk, Sand Lake, Michigan

Option Expires: June 11, 2008

Property Taxes: The 2007 property taxes were \$1,430.75

Authority: Part 5 of Act 451, Public Acts of 1994, as amended

Notice: This item will appear on the Department of Natural Resources' (Department)
April 28, 2008 Calendar, and is eligible for approval on May 5, 2008.

Comments: The offered private parcel is located in northern Kent County, nine miles
northwest of Cedar Springs, in association with 6,077 acres of State-owned
land managed as the Rogue River State Game Area.

The property contains a total of 41 acres and exhibits a level to gently-rolling topography with a mixture of soil drainage conditions and a forest cover of mixed northern hardwoods with assorted conifer species. Access is provided by a two-track trail over an adjoining 33-foot-wide strip of land with blacktop frontage along Red Pine Drive, a county-maintained roadway. State-owned land adjoins this property along three sides.

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Acquisition of this private in-holding will consolidate ownership, prevent further fractionalization and development, increase public recreational opportunities, and secure additional wildlife habitat in the Rogue River State Game Area, which is close to the heavily populated Grand Rapids metropolitan area.

This transaction is another in a series of acquisitions to acquire replacement property for outdoor recreation and natural resource management, using proceeds from the sale of land designated as surplus through the Land Consolidation Strategy. The Land Exchange Facilitation Fund (LEFF) Act allows the Department to sell rights in land and deposit the proceeds in a fund, which can then be used to acquire replacement property. Funds from the LEFF will be used for this acquisition.

The purchase will include mineral rights owned by the seller.

Recommendation: That this tract be approved for purchase with payment to be made from the LEFF.

David E. Freed, Chief
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Resource Management Deputy

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I approve the staff recommendation.

Rebecca A. Humphries
Director

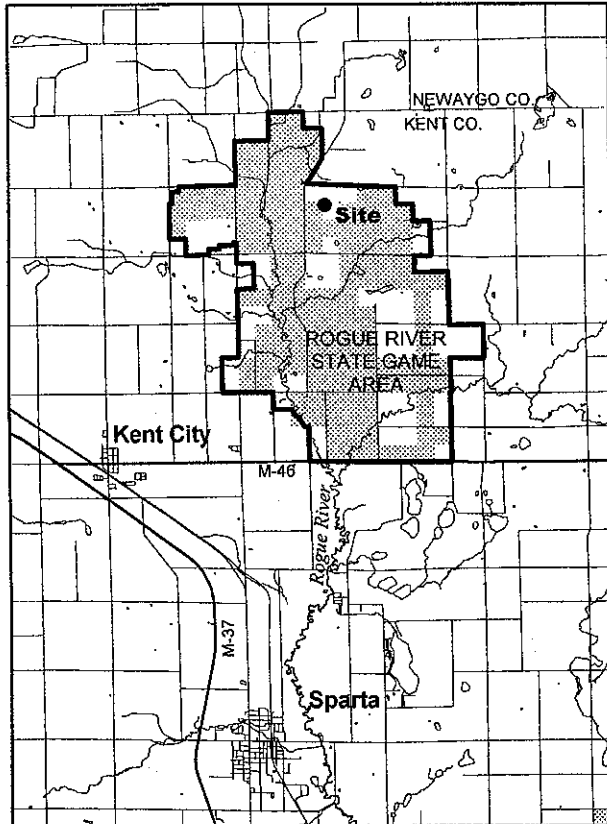
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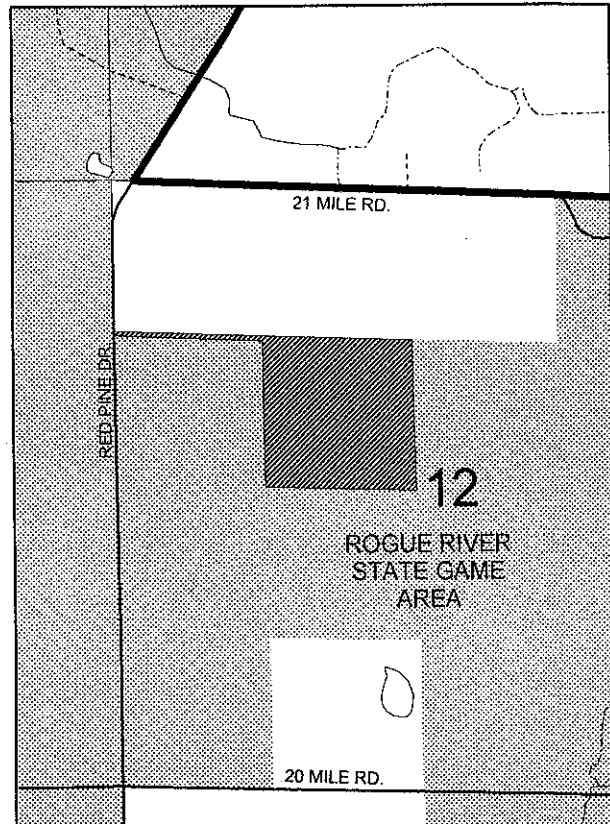
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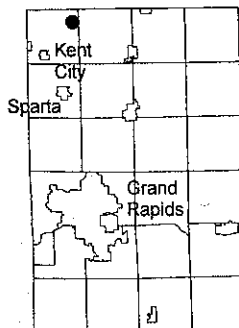
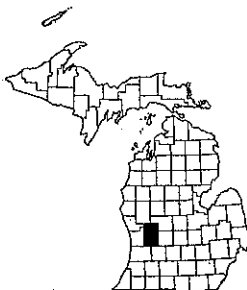
Regional Location

- Game Area Boundary
- ▨ State Land
- Private Land



Section 12, T10N, R12W, Tyrone Township

- Game Area Boundary
- ▨ Land Offered to DNR
(41.00 acres - \$209,000.00)
- ▨ State Land
- Private Land



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